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Bredesen Announces \$399,850 in Used Oil Collection Grants *Grants Will Help Encourage Proper Collection of Used Motor Oil Across Tennessee*

NASHVILLE - Governor Phil Bredesen and Department of Environment and Conservation Commissioner Jim Fyke announced today that 27 used oil collection grants totaling \$399,850 have been awarded to establish, upgrade and expand used oil collection centers in communities across Tennessee.

"This straightforward approach to dealing with a potential cause of pollution has a direct positive impact on the water quality of our lakes, streams and groundwater in Tennessee," Bredesen said. "I'm pleased we can provide these grants to encourage community collection centers where 'do-it-yourselfers' can conveniently recycle their used motor oil."

Tennesseans who change their own motor oil generate more than one million gallons of used oil each year, which can pollute soil and water and interfere with the operation of sewer systems when not properly disposed. The General Assembly authorized the Used Oil Collection Act of 1993 to assist local communities in collecting used oil and reducing its negative effects on the environment. Tennessee's Solid Waste Management Act requires counties to have at least one place in the county where used oil can be properly disposed. Used oil collection grants are funded by a two cent deposit on every quart of oil purchased in the state.

The first priority for grant funding is to establish collection sites in underserved areas. Other grants will fund improvement or replacement of equipment in existing public and private facilities. Equipment purchased through Oil Collection Grants can include containers, used oil burners, containment structures, shelter covers and other items.

The used oil collection grants announced today include:

Applicant	County	Grant Amount	Project/Equipment Description
Anderson County	Anderson	\$27,400	Tanks, canopies, pad, pump
Town of Jacksboro	Campbell	\$1,000	Pump
Cannon County	Cannon	\$4,000	Canopy, pad, pump
City of McKenzie	Carroll	\$6,200	Tank, canopy, pad, pump
Clay County	Clay	\$3,500	Crusher, pump
Cocke County	Cocke	\$36,400	Tanks, canopies, pads
Crockett County	Crockett	\$16,800	Tanks, canopies
Fayette Co. Airport	Fayette	\$5,200	Tank, canopy, pad
City of Collegedale	Hamilton	\$18,700	Tank, canopy, pad, crusher, heater, pump
Hardeman Co. Solid Waste	Hardeman	\$15,700	Tank, crusher, heater, pump
Hardin County	Hardin	\$4,250	Tank, canopy, pad, pump
Hickman County	Hickman	\$24,400	Tanks, canopies, pads, heater, pumps
Humphreys Co.	Humphreys	\$16,200	Tank, canopy, pad, heater, pump

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Board of Education			
City of Waverly	Humphreys	\$16,200	Tank, canopy, pad, heater, pump
Town of White Pine	Jefferson	\$16,200	Tank, canopy, pad, heater, pump
City of Knoxville	Knox	\$6,700	Tank, canopy, pad, education
Bi-County Solid Waste Management System	Montgomery	\$25,600	Tanks, canopies, pads, heater
Morgan County	Morgan	\$20,000	Heaters
City of South Fulton	Obion	\$11,000	Heater, pump
Overton County	Overton	\$19,000	Canopies, pump
Roane County	Roane	\$11,000	Heater, pump
Town of Oneida	Scott	\$24,000	Canopy, pad, heaters, pump
Town of Winfield	Scott	\$26,200	Tank, canopy, pad, heaters, pump
Washington Co. Highway Department	Washington	\$20,000	Heaters
Washington Co. Solid Waste	Washington	\$2,500	Crusher
Hensley Diesel Service	Wayne	\$18,700	Tank, canopy, pad, crusher, heater, pump
Wayne County	Wayne	\$3,000	Canopy, pump
TOTAL		\$399,850	

Visit www.tn.gov/environment/swm/oil or call toll-free at 1-800-287-9013 for more information concerning used oil collection centers, operating hours, requirements for collection locations that accept commercial used oil and other facts about used oil.

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